

25. (New) A profile produced by extrusion of a metal, selected from the group consisting of light-metals and light-metal alloys, in a direction of extrusion; said profile when viewed in a plane transverse to said direction of extrusion has a cross-sectional shape at least approaching that of a monolithic tweezer having a first end and a second end and comprising two legs, each having a first end and a second end; said two legs being interconnected at their first ends in an apex forming said first end of said tweezer.

REMARKS

This Preliminary Amendment is submitted to make clarifying revisions to the specification and claims in accordance with U.S. practice. No narrowing of the claims scope is intended.

In the event there are any questions relating to this Amendment or to the application in general, it would be appreciated if the Examiner would telephone the undersigned attorney.

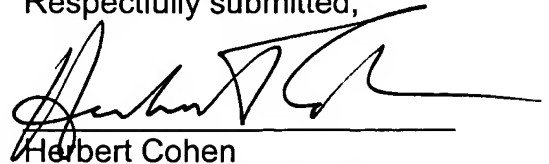
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petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for an extension of time for as many months as are required to render this submission timely. Any fee due is authorized above.

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